

REMARKS

Claims 1-77 are now pending in the application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the objections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

The Examiner objected to Claim 17 as being a substantial duplicate of Claim 49. Applicant notes that Claim 49 incorrectly depended from Claim 16. The dependency of Claim 49 was amended to depend from Claim 48. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of this objection are respectfully requested.

The Abstract stands objected to as being too long. Applicant has amended the Abstract to limit its length to less than 150 words. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of this objection are respectfully requested.

The Examiner refers to Claim 78 in the Office Action as being missing. Applicant's earlier reference to Claim 78 in the remarks of a prior preliminary amendment was a typographical error. Applicant has never presented Claim 78.

The dependencies of Claims 11-13 were corrected to depend from Claim 10 instead of Claim 9.

Other than the foregoing objections, which now appear to be moot, the case is in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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